CURB ON TERROR 'NO REPRESSION'

New Bars to Bombings Viewed by Nixon

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The Nixon administration told a Senate panel Friday any new legislation aimed at curbing terror bombings should not be viewed as a signal of general government repression of political protest and dissent.

"The suppression of terroristic tactics is not a repression of free speech or the right to dissent or the right to protest," Asst. Atty. Gen. Will Wilson told the Senate investigation subcommittee.

"We wish to emphasize," he said, "that it is punishment for crime and that the prevention of crime through firm and decisive action followed by appropriate punishment is, has been, and should continue to be the traditional response of the American political system to those who persist in violating the law."

2-PRONGED ATTACK

Wilson outlined a two-pronged federal attack against terror bombing aimed at clamping new controls on the explosives industry and punishing bombers.

Decrying the sharply increasing resort to "urban guerrilla warfare," Wilson's testimony ended a week of hearings in which officials said bombings have risen more than 400 per cent in the last 18 months.

"Much of the bombing is the result of fanatics who are politically motivated and insist on their own view point being accepted," Wilson said. "They are not interested in free speech or the right to dissent or the right to protest or a dialogue with anyone who does not bend to their will."

The Nixon administration has submitted a bill to Congress which bans the interstate transportation of bomb components and set harsh penalties—including life imprisonment and death—for any violations of the law where death occurs.